St Andrew's on The Terrace

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ORDER OF SERVICE

12th October 2014



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN PENTECOST Spacious Love and Gracious Conversation



The Burning Bush by Sophia Tabak

Blessing at the Burning Bush

—Jan Richardson



You will have to decide if you want this—
want the blessing that comes to you on an ordinary day
when you are minding your own path, bent on the task before you
that you have done a hundred times, a thousand.

You will have to choose for yourself whether you will attend to the signs, whether you will open your eyes to the searing light, the heat, whether you will open your ears, your heart to the voice that knows your name, that tells you this place where you stand—this ground so familiar and therefore unregarded—is, in fact, holy.

You will have to discern whether you have defenses enough to rebuff the call, excuses sufficient to withstand the pull of what blazes before you; whether you will hide your face, will turn away back toward—what, exactly?

No path from here could ever be ordinary again, could ever become unstrange to you whose seeing has been scorched beyond all salving.

You will know your path not by how it shines before you but by how it burns within you, leaving you whole as you go from here blazing with your inarticulate, your inescapable yes.

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WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

Wherever you are on your faith's journey, wherever you have come from and wherever you are going to, whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe, you are welcome here.

Please join in the congregational responses printed in **bold italics**. Please stand if you are able, for the hymns and the offering prayer. We will sing the hymns without announcement.

Please note your nearest fire exit.
The church and hall have been earthquake strengthened.
In an earthquake: drop, cover and hold.

Today's service is created and led by Bronwyn White and Paul Barber

GATHERING

Nothing will keep us away Brian Hardie

Nothing will keep us away. Even if you wanted to, you could not keep us away.

The love of God compels us to be here.

You could pinpoint all our faults, and leave us deflated.

The love of Christ still carries us through the door.

Life's stinging nettles could get under our skin.

The Spirit would soothe our wounds, and we would still come.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Draw the circle wide Words & Music—Gordon Light

Draw the circle wide Draw it wider still Let this be our song, no-one stands alone, standing side by side. Draw the circle wide.

(1) God the still-point of the circle, 'Round whom all creation turns; Nothing lost, but held forever in God's gracious arms.

Chorus

(2) Let our hearts touch far horizons, So encompass great and small; Let our loving know no borders, Faithful to God's call.

Chorus

(3) Let the dreams we dream be larger, Than we've ever dreamed before; Let the dream of Christ be in us, Open every door...

Chorus twice

WELCOME

E te whānau a Te Karaiti ngā mihi aroha ki a tātou katoa.

Kia ora tatou

PRAYER

Love's evolving narrative by Bruce Sanguin

JESUS' PRAYER (Prayer to the Eternal Spirit—Jim Cotter)

on the card

LIGHTING THE RAINBOW CANDLE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Cam Smart

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

We bless you as you go to the Rainbow Room to learn the stories of our faith,

to create and listen, learn and enjoy, and become the leaders and lightbearers of our future.

Blessings and peace be with you. Amen

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN

Beneath the Southern Cross by Cate Burton and Malcolm Gordon

From the ends of the earth we will sing God is here, the Kingdom is near In the land of the long white cloud Christ to dwell, Emmanuel From north and south from east and west beneath the Southern Cross we rest Found by One who came for all In this tale of spacious love we're born

This whenua
on which we stand
This holy ground made by God's hand
Marred and scarred
yet marked by grace
Held and healed, in Christ we find our place

From the ends of the earth we will sing God is here, the Kingdom is near In the land of the long white cloud Christ to dwell, Emmanuel

God of nations at thy feet within the bonds of love we meet Strangers once now called as one Aotearoa, wake to greet this love

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WISDOM FROM OUR TRADITION

Rosemary Lawrence

Ephesians 3:17-19

The love of God

Philippians 4:1,4-9

Appeal for Steadfastness and Unity

Contemporary reading

Grace does abound—Rev David Clark

1 Corinthians 13:1-3

The Way of Love

RESPONSE

For words of wisdom from our past

for stories handed down from generation to generation—whakatipuranga ki whakatipuranga

for words of healing and understanding—whakaora me whai mahara

We give thanks

MUSIC

Pretty Amazing Grace—Neil Diamond

Spacious Love & Gracious Conversation REFLECTION & REPORT BACK FROM GENERAL ASSEMBLY Paul Barber & Bronwyn White

AFFIRMATION

(Dorothy McRae-McMahon—adapted)

We are a cloth of diverse colours made from many gifts and graces.

We are the people flowing forth from Creator God, surprising ourselves with the things which can be done.

We are raw material for rewarding relationships as our lives interweave.

contributing one to the other,

holding each other firm when one is weak or breaking.

We are each worthy of being respected and cared for

essential to the pattern,

skilled in our appointed tasks,

sources of laughter and sharers of tears.

We commit ourselves to work together, that one day,

this world may be a place where all people live in justice, freedom and peace.

HYMN

Faith of Metaphor and Mystery Words: Bronwyn Angela White

Music: Regent Square - Henry Thomas Smart

Faith of metaphor and mystery
Christ of paradox and pun
Sure foundation, revelation,
Many facets of the One
Sacred found in the familiar:
phase of moon, and blazing sun.

God of living, dying, rising
Goddess: maiden, mother, crone
Word of sages, rock of ages
Love transforming hearts of stone
Meaning made in the familiar:
spirit, body, breath and bone

Passover and visitation
Parable and playful jest
Seeking, finding; losing, binding
Exodus and hero's quest
Sacrament of the familiar:
open door and welcome guest

Life in all its many stages
Sense and senses, heart and head
Meditation, celebration
Hope new-risen from the dead
Meaning found in the familiar:
making peace and breaking bread.

LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY OF ST ANDREW'S

People share notices and visitors are welcomed. If you have a notice, please come forward and sit in the front pew, ready to speak **briefly** from the lectern.

OFFERING

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We recognise and bless the gifts brought to the table and those given to support the mission of the church through automatic payments.

We bring our gifts of money and food symbols of hand and heart.

We recognise the diversity and abundance of the world, and acknowledge that for many, such simple things as clean air and water, shelter and food, are scarce.

In offering these gifts we take part in Creation's transforming power: turning the mundane into the miraculous, receiving and giving of ourselves.

For all creation, we bring our gifts. With all creation, we give thanks. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Paul Barber

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

We think today of the people of China, and the China Christian Council. In New Zealand, we remember those in Parliament, and today we name Amy Adams and Todd Barclay and the people of their electorates in Selwyn and Clutha-Southland. Here in Wellington, we pray for the leaders and people of St John's in the City, Willis St.

PRAYER FOR ST ANDREW'S

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THE SENDING OUT AND BLESSING

"You will know your path not by how it shines before you but by how it burns within you, leaving you whole as you go from here blazing with your inarticulate, your inescapable yes."

SUNG THREEFOLD AMEN

RECESSIONAL

Never Turning Back Pat Humphries

We're gonna keep on walking forward Keep on walking forward Keep on walking forward Never turning back; never turning back

We're gonna keep on singing loudly Keep on singing loudly Keep on singing loudly Never turning back; never turning back

We're gonna keep on loving boldly Keep on loving boldly Keep on loving boldly Never turning back; never turning back

We're gonna fight for change together Fight for change together Fight for change together Never turning back; never turning back

We're gonna keep on walking forward...

Thanks to Bruce Corkill, our organist this morning.

There is a 2-hour parking limit on the street in the Wellington CBD on Sundays. If you are staying for an after-church activity, you can to move your car into the car park, or move to a new space on the street.

We welcome all visitors and invite you to stay for morning tea or coffee.

Please sign the visitors' book at the back of the church.

We hope you enjoyed worshipping with us. At St Andrew's we want you to feel at home—to join in with the activities of our community of faith, or to come and find your own spiritual place in your own time. If you would like more information about St Andrew's or to explore becoming a member or associate member, please fill in a "Belonging" form (at the back of the church) and hand it to a minister or a welcoming team member.

AUDIO REFLECTIONS



Sunday reflections are usually available on our website. http://www.standrews.org.nz/sunday-gathering/orders-of-service

GENEROUS GIVING

St Andrew's depends on the generous giving of members and friends. If you would like to make a donation or support our work through planned giving, please contact our Parish Office or Treasurer. Bank account for donations is: St Andrews on The Terrace, BNZ Lambton Quay, 02-0534-0004022-02

On duty This Sunday thank you	
Welcoming	Brian & Lynette Burrell
Sound	Paul Satherley
Time with the Children	Cameron Smart
Reader	Rosemary Lawrence
Offering	Joan Tyler, James Cone
Prayers of the People	Paul Barber
Morning Tea	Dawn Cowdry, Janet Horncy,
	Graham Howell
Rainbow Room Assistant	Colma Froggatt
Musician	Bruce Corkill
On duty next Sunday 19 October	
Welcoming	David & Pauline Patchett
Sound	Frank Cook
Time with the Adults	
Reader	Bronwyn White
Offering	Paul Satherley, Margaret Pannett
Prayers of the People	Colma Froggatt
Morning Tea	Tony & Sandra Kirby, Kath Kerr
Rainbow Room Assistant	Fionnaigh McKenzie
Musician	Peter Franklin
This Most and Coming Fronts at Ct Andrews	

This Week and Coming Events at St Andrew's

Sunday 12 October 10am Sunday gathering created and led by Bronwyn White and Paul Barber

11.30am Congregational Conversation

Tuesday 14 October 12.15pm 'Are we mis-reading Islam?' Dr. Zainal Abidin Bagir in conversation with Noel Cheer

Wednesday 15 October 12.15pm Lunchtime concert *Viola Students of the NZSM* **Sunday 19 October 10am** Sunday gathering led by Chris Carey-Smith

- 11.30am Social Justice
- 2.30pm Wellington City Concert Band concert

ST ANDREW'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SAVE THE DATE | 16 NOV 11:30AM

Our AGM this year will be held after morning tea on Sunday 16 November. It is a time to reflect and celebrate what we have achieved together over the past year as a community and to look forward to the year ahead.

It is also the time when we elect new members to the Parish Council. With Paul, Fiona, Ross and Sonia finishing on Parish Council this year we are looking for some new people to join us.

Parish Council is an excellent way to get to involved with the many different areas that make up our life together (worship, community and place, theological education, faith in action, spirit and the arts and care of our resources) and it is a rewarding way to use your skills to serve our community. If you are interested have a chat to any current Parish Council members and fill in the nomination form (there are copies at the back of the church).

ST ANDREW'S MOVIE FUNDRAISER | MONDAY 20 OCTOBER 6PM

Venue: Light House Cuba, 29 Wiggins St, Te Aro

The movie is called *Pride* starring *Bill Nighy*, and is set in 1984 during the Miners' strike in Thatcher's UK. A group of GLBT activists want to raise money for miner's families. The conservative (small-c)) National Miners Union are reluctant to be publicly linked to such a group, but not to be deterred they travel to a Welsh village. Interested? Contact Graham Howell graham_hwll@yahoo.co.nz Tickets \$20

LONG TERM FOSTER CARE NEEDED

The Open Home Foundation is a Christian child and family support service. We are seeking a loving home to provide long term care for a 10 year old boy.

Can you provide long term care for this child?:

- He is able-bodied and physically active,
- He has a moderate intellectual disability and is in a mainstream class,
- He has behaviour needs that require a thoughtful and patient parenting style.

As an Open Home Foundation foster parent you will receive:

- Board payments,
- Full training,
- •Respite care,
- •24 hour support,
- •Additional specialised support.

For an application pack or further details, please contact: Phillip Larking or Cath Berryman on Ph: 04 566 3990

SITUATION VACANT | RESPITE AND FAMILY SERVICES SOCIAL WORKER

Wellington: Permanent, 30 hours

"Supporting Families Caring for Children"

The Open Home Foundation is currently seeking a Respite and Family Services Social Worker to join our Wellington Service Centre.

The successful applicant will primarily co-ordinate respite services for children with disabilities. The successful applicant will ideally have:

- Experience working with children/ young people with physical and/ or intellectual disability and their families,
- A passion for working in the disability sector and with children/young people,
- A qualification in social work or a related field,
- Strong administrative skills and robust assessment practices,
- Some experience in working in multi-disciplinary teams,
- Strong empathy with the organisation's Christian and bi-cultural values.

For an application pack or further details, please contact: Open Home Foundation p: 04 566 3990 e: vacancies@ohf.org.nz w: www.ohf.org.nz

CHILDREN OF PARIHAKA SCREENING (2012 63 min)

Producers Paora Joseph and Gaylene Preston

This film is being shown at Ngā Taonga Sound & Vision – NZ Film Archive as part of the Stillness film festival on Thursday 16 October at 7pm. Prices \$6/\$8 If you would like to join a St Andrews group to see this film on 16th October please let me or Peter Cowley know or email David at the office. Frank Cook 0276496508.

About the film:

In 1881, after being met by the pa's children holding white feathers of peace, invading constabulary ended Te Whiti and Tohu's passive resistance at Parihaka in Taranaki. One of the darkest episodes of the NZ Wars, it is revisited in this documentary which follows another group of Taranaki children undertaking an emotional, modern day pilgrimage to the South Island jails where their ancestors were exiled and forced to labour.

If you can't come on the 16th and would still like to see the film it is also being shown from Wednesday 22nd to Saturday 25th of October at Ngā Taonga at a slightly higher price.

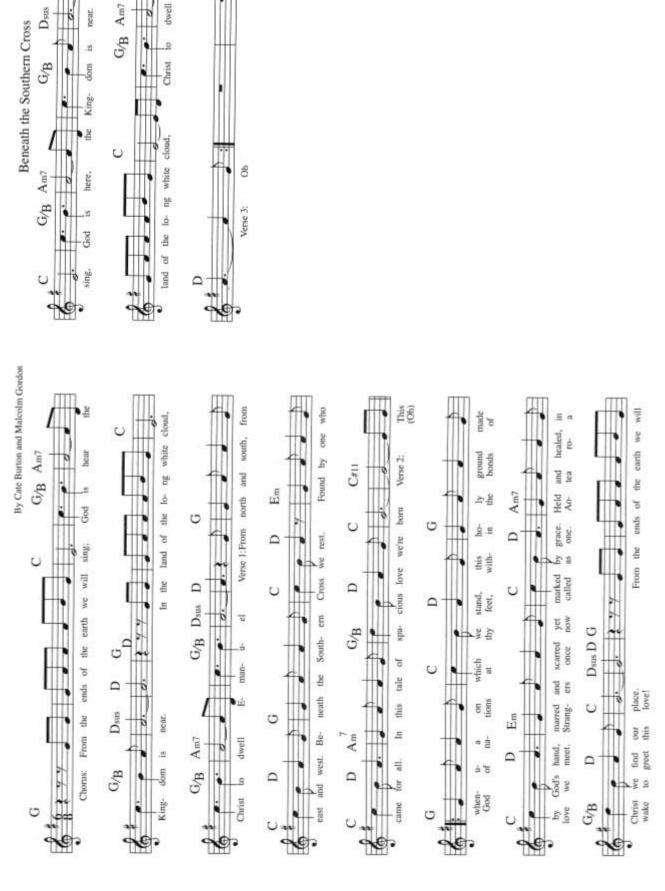
CD RELEASE Paul Rosoman is delighted to invite you to join him at the launch of his latest CD "Ciacona!" Featuring an exciting selection of music from the baroque period, ideally suited to the instrument, this is the first recording of the organ of Old Saint Paul's since a TVNZ video of its inauguration in 1977. The launch is at 3pm on Sunday, October 19th at Old Saint Paul's, 34 Mulgrave Street, Wellington. We do hope you're able to attend. Please RSVP to: Nigel MacIntyre, PO Box 5845, Wellington 6145 / 04-472-1472 / 021-245-0067 or paul@bayard.co.nz

Beneath the Southern Cross

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The SATRS Dialogues

ARE WE MIS-READING ISLAM?

Dr. Zainal Abidin Bagir In Conversation with Noel Cheer

St Andrew's on The Terrace, Tuesday 14 October, 12:15pm – 1pm

The West is not well-served by its news media when it sees Islam only as warmongering, fanatical and dangerous. Certainly there are Muslims as individuals and as groups who fit these categories, but we can also point to Christians, Buddhists, Hindus – and atheists.



In an attempt to offer a balanced view, we have invited Dr. Zainal Abidin Bagir, the director of the Center for Religious and Cross-cultural Studies at Gadjah Mada University in Indonesia to discuss this subject. Dr. Bagir is presently a Visiting Lecturer at Victoria University of Wellington, teaching "Islam in the Contemporary World" in the Religious Studies Department.

The interviewer, Noel Cheer, is a long-term member of the Board of The St Andrew's Trust for the Study of Religion and Society with experience in television interviewing.

For enquiries about this event call him on 0274 483 805.

Entry free - donation welcomed.

"SATRS" is the St Andrew's Trust for the Study of Religion and Society at www.satrs.org.nz

PROF LLOYD GEERING BOOK LAUNCH | 7 NOVEMBER 6.45PM ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

Please note: The price of \$20 on the flyer is US dollars. The NZ price is likely to be \$25

Reimagining God

The Faith Journey of a Modern Heretic

Lloyd Geering

Described by the BBC as "the last living heretic," Lloyd Geering has spent much of his life wrestling with God. Of late, however, he finds himself struggling with the absence of God. The rise of nonreligious, secular culture around the world testifies that he is not alone, that the concept of God has become problematical.

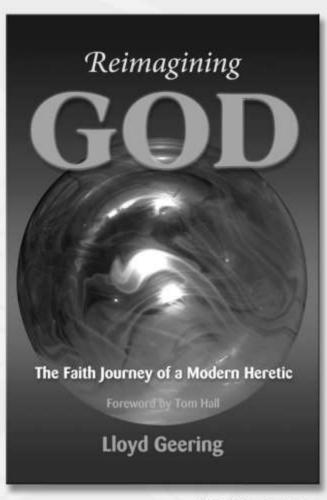
In this engaging collection of essays, Geering retraces key developments in the Western understanding of God. He offers a new vision of spirituality that blends our relationship to the natural world with the rich inheritance of human culture.

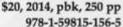
"Lloyd Geering not only writes brilliantly about the evolution of religious thought in the Western world, but he has also lived it. His essays thus ring with an authentic integrity. If one wants to explore Christianity's future, there is no better guide available today than this unique human being."

John Shelby Spong

"Lloyd Geering is a man of remarkable fortitude and vision."

-Don Cupitt, Emmanuel College, Cambridge







Sir Lloyd Geering is a Minister Emeritus of the Presbyterian Church, Emeritus Professor of Victoria University of Wellington where he established the Department of Religious Studies, and former Principal of Knox Theological College in Dunedin. A three time honoree of the NZ government, Geering is the author of many books including From the Big Bang to God: Our Awe-Inspiring Journey of Evolution (2013), winner of the prestigious Ashton Wylie Charitable Trust book award, August 2014.





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MISSION STATEMENT OF ST ANDREW'S ON THE TERRACE

To create a lively, open Christian faith community, to act for a just and peaceful world, and to be catalysts for discovery, compassion and celebration in the capital.

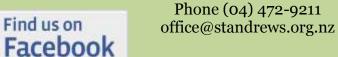
MINISTRY AT ST ANDREW'S – THE TEAM

Interim Minister	Jim Cunningham
Parish Council Convenor	Sonia Groes-Petrie
Parish Council Clerk	Maxine Cunningham
Treasurer	Paul Barber
Saving St Andrew's Convenor	Lynne Dovey
Pastoral Convenors	Colma Froggatt, Fiona McDougal
Church Music Coordinator	Vivien Chiu
Theologian in Residence	Lloyd Geering
Presbytery Representative	Sandra Kirby
Concert Coordinator	Marjan van Waardenberg
Rainbow Room Coordinator	Chris Carey-Smith
Church, Conference and Arts Manager	David Medland
Custodian, SATRS Administrator	Peter Cowley
Sunday Roster Coordinator	Henry Boidya

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